

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

March 15, 2019

The Honorable Christopher Wray
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
935 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20535

The Honorable Dan Coats
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

The Honorable Randolph D. Alles
Director
U.S. Secret Service
Washington, DC 20223

Dear Director Wray, Director Coats, and Director Alles:

We write regarding recent public reports about alleged activities by Ms. Li “Cindy” Yang and her apparent relationship with the President.

According to reports, Ms. Yang founded a chain of massage parlors in Florida. They are suspected of involvement in prostitution and human trafficking in which immigrant women are forced to serve as sex workers. Ms. Yang also reportedly created a business named GY US Investments that may be selling access to the President and members of his family to clients from China. On Ms. Yang’s website, which has since been taken down, her company offered clients “the opportunity to interact with the President, the [American] Minister of Commerce and other political figures” and also offered to arrange “White House and Capitol Hill dinners.” On at least one occasion, Ms. Yang in 2017 reportedly arranged for a group of Chinese business executives to attend a fundraiser for the President in New York. Ms. Yang is reportedly a frequent guest at Mar-a-Lago, has visited the White House on at least one occasion, and was photographed with the President at a 2019 Super Bowl party at his West Palm Beach golf club.

If true, these allegations raise serious counterintelligence concerns. China has frequently used non-traditional intelligence collectors and businesspersons to compromise targets. As Director Wray recently told Congress, “the Chinese counterintelligence threat is more deep, more diverse, more vexing, more challenging, more comprehensive and more concerning than any counterintelligence threat I can think of.” And, although Ms. Yang’s activities may only be those of an unscrupulous actor allegedly selling access to politicians for profit, her activities also could permit adversary governments or their agents access to these same politicians to acquire potential material for blackmail or other even more nefarious purposes.

We therefore request that the FBI conduct criminal and counterintelligence investigations into credible allegations of potential human trafficking, as well as unlawful foreign lobbying, campaign finance and other activities by Ms. Yang. We also ask that the Bureau furnish to the intelligence and judiciary committees an assessment of any counterintelligence risks or related concerns associated with any interactions between President Donald Trump and Ms. Yang. Finally, given the access to President Trump and his campaign organizations that Ms. Yang has apparently enjoyed, as well as her alleged involvement in human trafficking and prostitution, we request answers to the following questions:

1. Actions by U.S. law enforcement agencies: Prior to press reports describing her activities, were any Intelligence Community, Bureau, or Secret Service officials aware of Ms. Yang or her ties to alleged illicit business enterprises? Have state or federal authorities previously investigated Ms. Yang or her businesses for prostitution or human trafficking? Since the recent revelations about Ms. Yang's businesses and her interactions with the President, has the FBI taken any steps to investigate potential violations of law or national security vulnerabilities?
2. Counterintelligence concerns: What are the counterintelligence risks potentially posed by Ms. Yang's activities? Are there other individuals using Mar-a-Lago for similar purposes, particularly by offering foreigners access to the President, those close to him, or other senior officials in exchange for money? Do the FBI, the Secret Service, or other agencies in the Intelligence Community have visibility into or vet foreign nationals that attend events at Mar-a-Lago?
3. Access to the White House: To what extent have Ms. Yang or her foreign clients interacted with the President, Vice President, or other senior White House officials at the White House, Mar-a-Lago or the President's other properties, and for what purposes? Have Ms. Yang or her clients violated the Foreign Agents Registration Act, the Lobbying Disclosure Act, or other laws?
4. Foreign campaign donations: What efforts are undertaken by President Trump, his campaign, or his political action committee to vet donors and determine whether funds are being contributed illicitly or through straw donors? Did Ms. Yang or her foreign clients gain access to President Trump at fundraisers, in the White House, or elsewhere in connection with these political contributions? Who created the guest list for the President's 2019 Super Bowl party, and at whose request was Ms. Yang invited to the event?

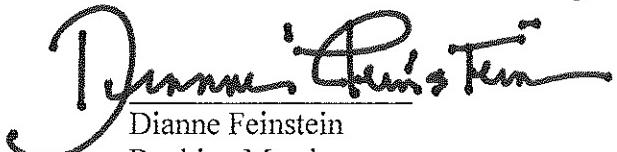
Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We would appreciate your written

response, including answers to the questions enumerated above, by no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 21, 2019.

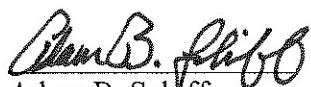
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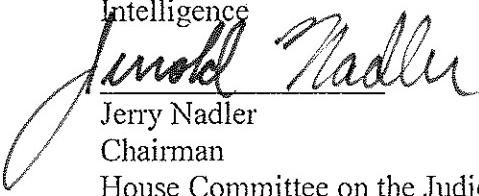
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